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SUBJECT: SOUTH VIETNAMESE REPRESENTATION BEIRUT

1. PRESS LAST WEEK CARRIED BRIEF REPORT THAT GVN CHARGE ANKARA VISITING BEIRUT HAD SOUGHT TO HAVE HIS NAME INCLUDED IN DIPLOMATIC LIST. WE ACCORDINGLY QUERIED FOREIGN OFFICE ACTING SEC GEN FATTAL ON THIS POINT. FATTAL INVITED OUR ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT GOL DIP LIST INCLUDES SOUTH VIETNAM GIVES ADDRESS OF EMBASSY IN ANKARA BUT DOES NOT CARRY ANY NAMES OF OFFICIALS. THERE IS NO REPEAT NO MENTION OF NVN. FATTAL STATED THAT HE FEARED IF GVN PRESSED ISSUE GOL WOULD THEN CONSIDER RECOGNIZING NVN SO THAT IT COULD MAINTAIN ITS "NEUTRALITY". FATTAL THEN DISCUSSED TWO KOREAS AND TWO VIETNAMS. HE ASKED IF WE THOUGHT THERE WAS ANY REASON WHY ALL FOUR SHOULD NOT BE FORMALLY RECOGNIZED AND CARRIED ON DIP LIST. I TOLD FATTAL IT WAS NONE OF MY BUSINESS BUT I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE THE HEIGHT OF FOLLY TO TAKE SUCH ACTION. ALL IT WOULD MEAN WOULD BE THAT THE GOL WOULD BRING INTO BEIRUT MORE COMMUNIST MISSIONS WHO COULD WORK WITH LEFTIST-ORIENTED YOUTH, PURCHASE PRESS AND ENGAGE IN OTHER NEFARIOUS ACTIVITIES. FATTAL APPEARED TO CONCUR.

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2. IN VIEW FOREGOING I STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT GVN NOT REPEAT NOT PURSUE MATTER OF NAMING ITS PERSONNEL RESIDENT ANKARA ON BEIRUT DIP LIST. IF THEY SO CHOOSE, IN MY OPINION IT WOULD RESULT ONLY IN ANOTHER HARD-HITTING COMMUNIST MISSION BEING ESTABLISHED IN BEIRUT, IN THIS CASE TO THE DETRIMENT OF THE GVN.

3. IN CONNECTION WITH FOREGOING, FATTAL CONFIRMED WHAT WE HAD PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ABOUT KOREAN REPRESENTATION HERE; I.E. THAT ALTHOUGH PRIME MINISTER HAD AGREED SIMULTANEOUSLY RAISE SOUTH KOREAN AND NORTH KOREAN REPRESENTATIVES HERE TO FULL EMBASSY STATUS, THIS HAS BEEN BLOCKED BY PRESIDENT FRANGIE, WHO STATES HE WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT ACCEPT CREDENTIALS OF NORTH KOREAN REP UNTIL "SOME TIME AFTER" HE HAD ACCEPTED CREDENTIALS OF SOUTH KOREAN REP. SOUTH KOREAN FOREIGN MINISTER DONG-JO INDICATED DURING RECENT VISIT TO BEIRUT THAT HE WAS SATISFIED WITH STATUS QUO, AND SOUTH KOREANS, WITH COMMENDABLE WISDOM, HAVE DROPPED COMPLETELY IDEA OF ELEVATING THEIR TRADE OFFICE HERE TO THAT OF A DIPLOMATIC MISSION. GODLEY

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